GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING
LOK SABHA

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SETTING UP OF DD/AIR IN GUJARAT
GORDHANBHAI JAVIA

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to set up Doordarshan Centres and Radio Stations in Gujarat especially in Saurastra region ;

(b) if so, the details thereof and reasons for delay in this regard if any ; and

(c) the time by which the work is likely to be initiated for this purpose ?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SMT. SUSHMA SWARAJ)

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b) & (c) : Two new Radio Stations are being set up in the state of Gujarat,one at Himmatnagar (LRS with 1 KW MW Transmitter) and the other at Junagarh in Saurashtra region(LRS with 5 KW FM Transmitter).The project at Himmatnagar is targeted for completion during the year 2000- 2001. The project at Junagarh is proposed to be deferred due to paucity offunds. In so far as Doordarshan is concerned, two High Power and three LowPower Transmitter projects are presently under implementation in Gujarat(including 1 Low Power Transmitter in Saurashtra region). These projects are at different stages of implementation and are expected to be completed in phases, during the remaining 9th Plan Period.